

Goodwill visit

U.S. Navy destroyer puts in at Dammam

By Mary Jo McComahay
DAMMAM, Jan. 15 — The USS Blandy, a 4,000-ton destroyer of the U.S. Navy Middle East Force docked at Dammam Port Monday morning on a goodwill visit until Jan. 17.

Adm. S.H. Packer, commander of the force, was present on board the Blandy with the ship's captain, Commander T.J. Betzel. Adm. Packer described the arrival of the Blandy as a "routine operational exercise."

The Blandy is of a ship class called "the workhorse of the U.S. Navy". It is equipped for shore bombardment and carries anti-submarine devices. The ship is one of three making up the Middle East Force and carries a crew of 300 with 19 officers.

Kreps due here for trade talks

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (R) — U.S. Commerce Secretary Juanita Kreps will visit Saudi Arabia from Jan. 25 to 29 for talks on trade, the department said Monday.

Further details will be announced later.

The United States exported \$4.2 billion worth of goods to Saudi Arabia in 1978 against imports, chiefly oil, of \$5.08 billion.

Local briefs

• JEDDAH, (R) — Singapore Senior Minister of State for Finance Tan Eng Liang arrived here Monday on a several-days visit. Liang, who is leading a delegation of civil servants and businessmen, will confer with officials from the Civil Aviation Department, Saudia and the chamber of commerce and industry.

• JEDDAH, — The Iraqi Minister of Interior Ezzat Ibrahim Al-Druri is expected to visit Saudi Arabia next month for talks with his Saudi colleague Prince Naif accord-



JETFIGHTER: Crown Prince Fahd Monday is shown the cockpit of an American F-15E strike aircraft at a demonstration by U.S. pilots at Riyadh Air Base Monday. The Kingdom will take delivery of 60 of the aircraft in 1982.

Takeoffs, landings

Saudia reports increase in efficiency

JEDDAH, Jan. 15 — Saudia last month reached its highest level of efficiency in takeoffs and landings in the last three years, the airline said Monday.

Takeoffs were accomplished within 15 minutes of schedule on 90 per cent of flights — an improvement on November — and landings within the same time on 75.7 per cent for the fifth month running. These were the best December per-

formance for the last three years.

Meanwhile, the number of weekly Saudia flights between Jeddah and Medina has risen from 44 last winter to 68 this year, the national carrier said.

In addition to the present 10 Lockheed TriStar services between Jeddah and Riyadh daily, four Boeing 747 flights

have been added on the Jeddah-Riyadh-Karachi route. A Boeing 707 flight has been added on the Jeddah-Khartoum route.

The airline said that Boeing 747 aircraft will begin to fly European routes, in addition to four non-stop TriStar weekly flights to Athens two each from Jeddah and Riyadh.

Clinic found overcharging ordered to refund patient

JEDDAH, Jan. 15 — The Health Directorate General in the Western Province has ordered a private hospital here to refund a patient SR1,100 after the patient complained of exorbitant charges.

Six tea-boys, on wages of SR800 per month, provide one cup of tea each a day to 20 officials.

The survey did not take into account the cost of tea, sugar, boiling water, electricity, kitchen space, breakages and general wear and tear.

SPA adds: Governor of Mecca will open next month

a SR63 million private hospital off Prince Fahd Street, west of the airport.

The Finance Ministry contributed SR13.3 million toward costs of the Bakht Hospital, which will be staffed with 28 specialists, 60 female and 15 male nurses.

A new dispensary will also be opened soon at Jeddah Airport to serve travellers and pilgrims, the Health Directorate said Monday.

Inflation, manpower

Nazer sees Bonn, Bahrain ministers

RIYADH, Jan. 15 (SPA) — Planning Minister Sheikh Hashim Nazer Monday held separate meetings with West German Minister of Economic Cooperation Rainer Olfers and Bahraini Minister of Development and Industry Yousef Fahd ibn Khaled to discuss the program.

Sheikh Hashim reviewed with the German minister the possibility of cooperation between the two governments in curbing inflation here and in tackling the shortage of skilled manpower.

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Sheikh Hashim discussed with the Bahraini minister coordination in the two countries' development plans in the

light of studies now being carried out by the two ministries.

Shirawi, who was received on arrival Monday by Dr. Ghazi Al-Gosaibi, minister of industry and electricity, said he would hold discussions with Dr. Al-Gosaibi on coordination in various industries.

Dr. Al-Gosaibi said the talks would cover assistance for the Gulf Organization for Industrial Consultancy set up two years ago and coordination on projects including an aluminum smelter and an electric lamp industry.

TAXI probe set

JEDDAH, Jan. 15 — Interior Minister Prince Naif has appointed a committee to investigate the service provided by taxi-drivers, according to "Al-Medina" Monday. The committee is to examine how to fix fares in relation to distance. It will submit its report in a few weeks.



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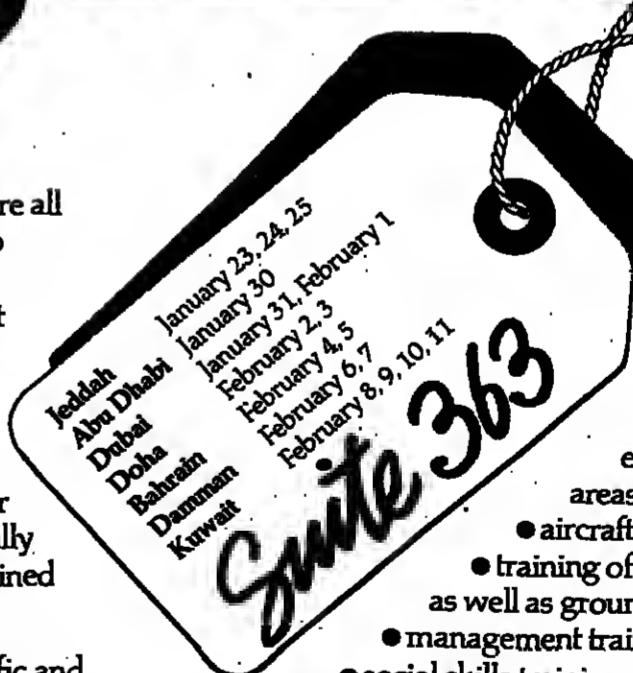
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Militia commander claims**21 Iranians said deserting UNIFIL**

BEIRUT, Jan. 15 (Agencies) — A rebel Lebanese military commander said Monday that 21 Iranian troops serving with United Nations forces in Lebanon had defected from their unit because of opposition to the Shah.

Col. Muhammad Slim, was commenting on reports in the leftist Beirut newspaper "As-Safir" that 30 Iranian troops had quit their units to join the predominantly Muslim Lebanese Arab Army (LAA).

The colonel is a commander of the LAA, which broke away from Lebanese government forces three years ago during the civil war.

The Iranian Embassy in Beirut had no comment on the report, saying it did not expect to be able to confirm or deny it before Tuesday.

LAA troops are stationed in the same part of South Lebanon as a 600-man Iranian contingent in the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL). The Iranians plan to withdraw by the end of this month.

Col. Slim declined to con-

firm that Iranian troops had joined his men. But he said 21 Iranians had left their unit rather than return home.

He said the men were supporters of the Shah's main opponent, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, who lives in exile in Paris.

To the south, near Sidon, tension ran high Monday between U.N. peacekeeping forces and Israeli-backed right-wing militias with both sides firing machine gun volleys in the air, local authorities reported.

A spokesman for the govern-

nor's office in Sidon, provincial capital of the south, said militiamen of renegade Lebanese Army Major Saad Haddad surrounded the Nigerians to certain positions and fired in the air to other spots.

The spokesman said there were no casualties reported as UNIFIL's command started negotiations with Haddad's men to reach a peaceful settlement at midday.

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Sarkis, Riad hold talks on reconstruction needs

BEIRUT, Jan. 15 (R) — Lebanese President Elias Sarkis Monday met Mahmoud Riad, secretary-general of the Arab League, to discuss Lebanon's reconstruction needs, estimated at over \$7 billion.

Official sources said that Riad, who arrived here Sunday in a 48-hour visit, would

discuss a reconstruction program for Lebanon with Arab financial organizations.

Earlier, Riad had a meeting with Finance Minister Farid Rachid and Muhammed Attalib, chairman of the Development and Reconstruction Board.

Turkey denies accepting U.S. spy posts from Iran

ANKARA, Jan. 15 (Agencies) — Turkish Foreign Minister Gunduz Okcun Monday denied reports claiming some 20 U.S. intelligence posts in Iran would be moved to Turkey.

In a statement released by the Foreign Ministry, Okcun said there was "no truth" to reports that either new U.S. bases would be built in Turkey or those in Iran would be moved here."

Several Turkish newspapers claimed that the issue of U.S. bases in Iran was discussed when Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher visited Turkey last week.

Four key U.S. intelligence

Egypt, Sudan seek U.N. 'ash to cover unification

KHARTOUM, Jan. 15 (AP) — Egypt and Sudan pursuing a economic integration program, will seek unspecified aid in financial assistance from the United Nations development program, it has been officially announced here.

But nearly five years of joint action to institute political and economic integration between the two countries have so far produced no tangible result.

Egyptian Prime Minister Iustina Khalil is here for talks with Sudanese Vice-President Al-Rashid Al-Tahir in a new attempt to galvanize the integration program.

A 28-man joint ministerial council representing Egypt and

gathered stations in Turkey were reopened recently after the congressional repeal of an American arms embargo on Turkey last August.

Turkish-American negotiations, aimed at developing a new defense cooperation agreement and a permanent status for the bases, are scheduled to begin here later this week.

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The council also agreed to set up joint committee of economic planning experts from the two countries to "review and eliminate" obstacles impeding integration, the council said.

It added that Egypt and Sudan also agreed to set up joint factories for assembling tractors, food canning, leather processing and textiles.

The two countries agreed to observe a unified curriculum and recognize diplomas of the other's universities.

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TEHRAN: An Iranian soldier awkwardly returns a kiss from a demonstrator Monday, during peaceful marches across the city.

Israel forbids W. Bank meeting

TEL AVIV, Jan. 15 (UPI) — Israeli authorities prevented Arab students Monday from taking part in a press conference called to protest of what was termed an atmosphere of terror at Bir Zeit University on the occupied West Bank.

"Yes, we did not permit it," the Defense Ministry said. "It would have been incitement."

The conference was sponsored by a group called the Committee for a Just Peace between Israel and the Arab Countries.

Representatives of the school, near Ramallah north of Jerusalem, did not take part, but members of the committee distributed statements saying occupation authorities were continually harassing students, faculty and the administration.

"The measures directed against the university not only inhibit the normal day-to-day operation of the institution but create an atmosphere of terror which makes the pursuit of free academic inquiry and learning virtually impossible," the statement said.

But admits 'difficulties'**Pakistan rejects default rumors**

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 15 (AP) —

Pakistan has denied reports that it was about to default on its foreign debts but admitted it was "having difficulties" and was trying to renegotiate terms with lending countries.

The Islamabad government announced at the same time, Sunday a five percent cut in

defense spending and a 10 percent slash in all other budget outlays, saving the country roughly \$55 million this fiscal year.

A ranking Finance Ministry

official said last week that donor countries, led by the United States, were strongly urging Pakistan to cut spending

The International Monetary Fund recommended that Pakistan limit deficit spending to \$75 million this fiscal year, which already has been exceeded, he said.

The official said that if repayment terms are not eased by June, default by Pakistan was a real possibility. He called the situation "critical."

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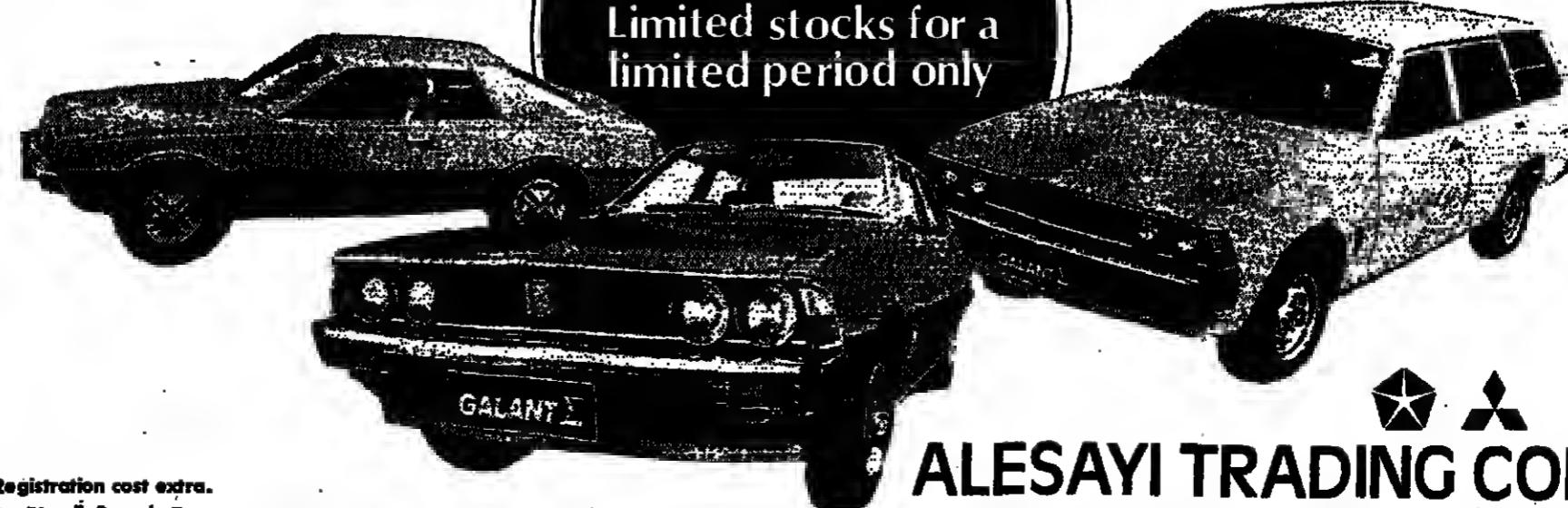
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Report arms cache seized

S. African police fight guerrillas

PRETORIA, Jan. 15 (AP) — South African police clashed with a band of eight black infiltrators near the Botswana border, police here reported Monday. They said one guerrilla was killed, one was taken prisoner and the rest probably fled back across the border.

The commissioner of police, Gen. Mike Geldenhuys, said the shootout took place Saturday on a farm about three kilometers inside the border near the town of Dederport. No police casualties were reported.

He said police seized a cache that included two Soviet-made AK-47 assault rifles, one Makarov pistol, binoculars, a radio, 18 hand grenades, ammunition, detonators, 30 blocks of TNT each weighing 200 grams and canned food and clothing.

The "Citizen" newspaper of Johannesburg reported that

Witnesses report brutality

Police break up Soweto mourning

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 15 (AP) — Soweto leaders expressed anger Monday over police action in the black township at the funeral of a youth shot by police.

Witnesses in Soweto said police broke up a memorial Saturday at the youth's house, using batons and tear gas without provocation. They said mourners were dragged out of cars and beaten while the funeral procession went to the cemetery, and only three cars were allowed into the graveyard.

Brig. James Gerber, head of police in Soweto, said that five canisters of tear gas were fired at the mourners. He said two buses were stoned by youths, and two young blacks were arrested for public violence.

the hand, was discovered after a farm laborer saw them and notified the farmer, who called police.

The clash was the third between police and black guerrillas in northern South Africa in the past three months.

Last October, police fought with three guerrillas in the Mafekeng-Zeerus area of northwestern Transvaal Province. Two guerrillas were killed and the third escaped.

In November, three guerrillas

SALISBURY, Jan. 15 (UPI) — Martial law authorities trying to starve out black insurgents have prohibited the distribution of food and medical supplies from international organizations to rural blacks in two districts of northeastern Rhodesia.

Francois Perez, of the Red Cross delegation in Rhodesia, confirmed military authorities

in the two districts have ordered a halt to the distribution of its food and medical supplies.

He said it is not known how long the restrictions are to last and that clarification is being sought from the military command in Salisbury.

Perez said it is the first time restrictions have been imposed on his delegation, which was recently given \$1 million in funds by the United States Congress to spend on relief in Rhodesia from December to March. An official of the military command said when asked about the restrictions that "all this is brand new to me" and that for the moment, "we cannot comment at all."

Gibbs said over the weekend that the rural blacks face food shortages as a result of the clampdown, imposed in the middle of last month.

"There isn't any mass starvation yet, but people are scratching around for food and some don't have any," he said. "The very old and the very young will suffer the most. As it is, some kids are undernourished."

The Commission for Justice and Peace in Rhodesia said last week it has received reports of two black civilians who were turned back and few of the 2,000 mourners reached the grave.

Gerber said police shot and fatally wounded 16-year-old Victor Sibya two weeks ago after he and several other blacks allegedly robbed the driver of a car. He said the incident was being investigated.

Informants said at least seven people were treated for tear gas poisoning and bruises, and that offices of the Soweto Students' League were raided by security police before and after the funeral.

Dr. Nihato Molana, head of the unofficial group of Soweto leaders known as the "Committee of Ten," was one of the speakers at the funeral.

"They actually knocked one child unconscious," Molana was quoted as saying by "The Post" newspaper. "I object

very strongly to what was done to those children."

Febogo Moselane said "this is certainly a fine way to start the year — by beating up children with batons and throwing tear gas at them. I had to intervene when they assaulted a boy right in front of me. I told them to beat me first."

The Soweto Action Committee and the Soweto Students' League also protested the police action.

A reporter for the "Rand Daily Mail" said he saw mourners — mostly students — dragged out of cars, kicked and beaten. He said all three buses taking mourners to the cemetery were turned back and few of the 2,000 mourners reached the grave.

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Carter will submit SALT for full Senate approval

ATLANTA, Jan. 15 (UPI) — President Carter said Sunday he will present any strategic arms agreement with the Soviet Union as a treaty rather than an executive agreement, meaning it would require a two-thirds vote for ratification rather than a simple majority in the Senate. Carter announced his decision in Atlanta.

Turning to the Middle East, he said he would not hesitate to hold another summit meeting with Prime Minister Begin and President Sadat if he felt

such a move would help bring peace. (See story page one). Peace Award

During ceremonies in which he was given the Martin Luther King Jr. Peace Award, Carter said he expects the United States and the Soviet Union to reach a strategic arms limitation agreement shortly.

The announcement ended months of speculation that Carter would present the pact to the Senate as an executive agreement, since powerful forces are aligned against it

and a simple majority vote might be easier to reach than the two-thirds needed for a treaty ratification.

Nothing Less

Congressional leaders had warned Carter he would face serious opposition if he tried to get the pact through Congress as anything less than a treaty. The president in turn warned that Senate rejection of a SALT pact would hurt the image of the United States.

"It would deal a severe blow to the peaceful interrelationship between the world's two greatest military powers," he said. "It would deal a severe blow to the opinion held of us by peace-loving people in the small and developing nations around the world."

Dreams

Carter received his award in Atlanta from the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Social Change.

"Let no one doubt where I stand," Carter told 650 people gathered in the Ebenezer Baptist Church where King preached. "My administration stands with you. We are committed to civil rights."

"I accept this award not as an honor, but as an affirmation that I share the hopes and dreams of Martin Luther King Jr. and that I recognize the progress that needs to be made," Carter said. "He showed us all that we are not powerless if we care enough."

Protest

Before the ceremony, members of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, which King founded, staged a protest march outside to condemn expected cuts in the 1980 federal budget Carter submits to Congress next week.

About 200 black demonstrators shivered in 28-degree weather, waving signs saying "Jobs, not Bombs," and "Support Employment."

Leonid Brezhnev

of others," he added. On attempts of Moscow and Washington to conclude a new strategic arms limitation (SALT) accord, Brezhnev said work on the new agreement was drawing to a close. He expressed hope that "President Carter and I will be able in the near future to affix our signatures to the accord."

He said that the Soviet Union sees no obstacles to the U.S. reestablishing friendly relations with Peking, if China becomes more reasonable and peaceful."

Battle for appropriations panel

Congress opens with one last gap to fill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (UPI) — The 96th Congress convened Monday with most of its leaders elected, leaving a battle for House Appropriations Committee chairman one of the major contests remaining.

In an uphill struggle House liberals are trying to buck the seniority system and per-

sonalities in the Senate were mostly ceremonial. Members were sworn in and designated leaders approved for new two-year terms.

Speaker of the House, Thomas P. O'Neill, will remain at his post.

Sen. Robert Byrd of West Virginia will still be the Senate Majority Leader. Senate Republican Leader Howard Baker of Tennessee and House Republican Leader John Rhodes of Arizona also will keep their jobs.

Despite Republican gains in November, Democrats still firmly control both chambers.

A move may come this week to bar Rep. Daniel Flood, (D-Pa.) from retaining his chairmanship of a Labor-Health Appropriations Subcommittee while under indictment.

for bribery and other charges.

House Republicans are expected to try to expel Rep. Charles Diggs, (D-Mich.), from the House. Diggs is appealing a three-year sentence on a federal payroll fraud conviction.

Expulsion requires a two-thirds vote of the House.

Ms. Abzug says Carter 'naive' in firing her

NEW YORK, Jan. 15 (AP) — Bella Abzug, former co-chairwoman of the president's National Advisory Council on Women, said Sunday that President Jimmy Carter showed a great deal of "naivete" in firing her last week for criticizing his economic policy.

Ms. Abzug said the president should not expect the remaining members to continue working if she was replaced by a "yes person."

About her firing, Ms. Abzug said, "what happened the other day at the White House was like — when a guy has a bad day at the office and he comes home and kicks his door. Well — our president probably had a bad day and instead of kicking Billy Carter, he kicked me."

Wayne is cracking jokes with his family only three days after having his stomach removed in a nine-hour operation, hospital officials said.

The 71-year-old actor who died last night in more than 200 films, is able to sit up, stand and even walk a few steps.

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STUCK: Neighbors help push a car stuck in the street of a Chicago suburb. The storm completely shut down O'Hare Airport, the world's busiest. —(UPI photo)

No end yet for Chicago

Windy City smothered in snow

CHICAGO, Jan. 15 (AP) — America's second-largest city dug out from its second-worst blizzard in history Monday. An army of workers reopened one runway at O'Hare International Airport, the world's busiest, after snow forced a weekend shutdown.

But the forecast was for possibly more snow by mid-week. Helicopters took the sick

and injured to Chicago-area hospitals Monday because ambulances could not get through the 30 inches of snow, 20.9 inches of it from the weekend storm that hit the Windy City. At least 29 people died — seven in Chicago alone.

O'Hare was closed to all flights from midday Saturday until early Monday morning, when the runway reopened. United Airlines said its service

to and from Chicago would be reduced during much of the day.

Elsewhere in America's Midwest, the snow combined with sub-freezing temperatures to cause traffic accidents, break weather records, strand travelers and leave thousands without electricity.

Northern Illinois, Kansas and eastern Iowa were under states of emergency.

Canadian exile returns, is arrested

MONTRÉAL, Jan. 15 (AP) — Jean-Pierre Charette, a former member of the Front de Libération du Québec (FLQ), gave up exile in Cuba to return to Canada Sunday evening. He was immediately arrested by police, according to radio reports here.

Brezhnev continues Bulgaria tour

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Jan. 15 (UPI) — Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev began his Bulgarian vacation Sunday in the little spa resort of Bankya, at the foot of Mt. Tsjulin about 12 miles (20 km) from the capital. Brezhnev's unexpected visit has been described as a "short, friendly visit" and officials have not yet announced how long he will remain in Bulgaria.

Korchnoi hopeful wife will join him

TEL AVIV, Jan. 15 (AP) — Self-exiled Soviet chess player Viktor Korchnoi arrived in Israel Sunday and said he was "more optimistic than a few months ago" about the chances for getting his wife and son out of the Soviet Union. Korchnoi, who lost his challenge for the World Chess Championship last year, will stay in Israel for 10 days.

U.S. singer dies in 15-story fall

NEW YORK, Jan. 15 (AP) — Donny Hathaway, a singer and songwriter who was riding high with gold records and a Grammy award six years ago, leaped from his 15th floor apartment to his death late Saturday night from his room in the Essex House Hotel, police said.

Rotten egg cloud baffles Glasgow

GLASGOW, Scotland, Jan. 15 (UPI) — Scientific experts and police were still searching Monday for the origins of an invisible gas cloud smelling like "rotten eggs" which descended upon central Scotland Sunday. The cloud was first reported Sunday morning in the town of Cumbernauld, near Glasgow.

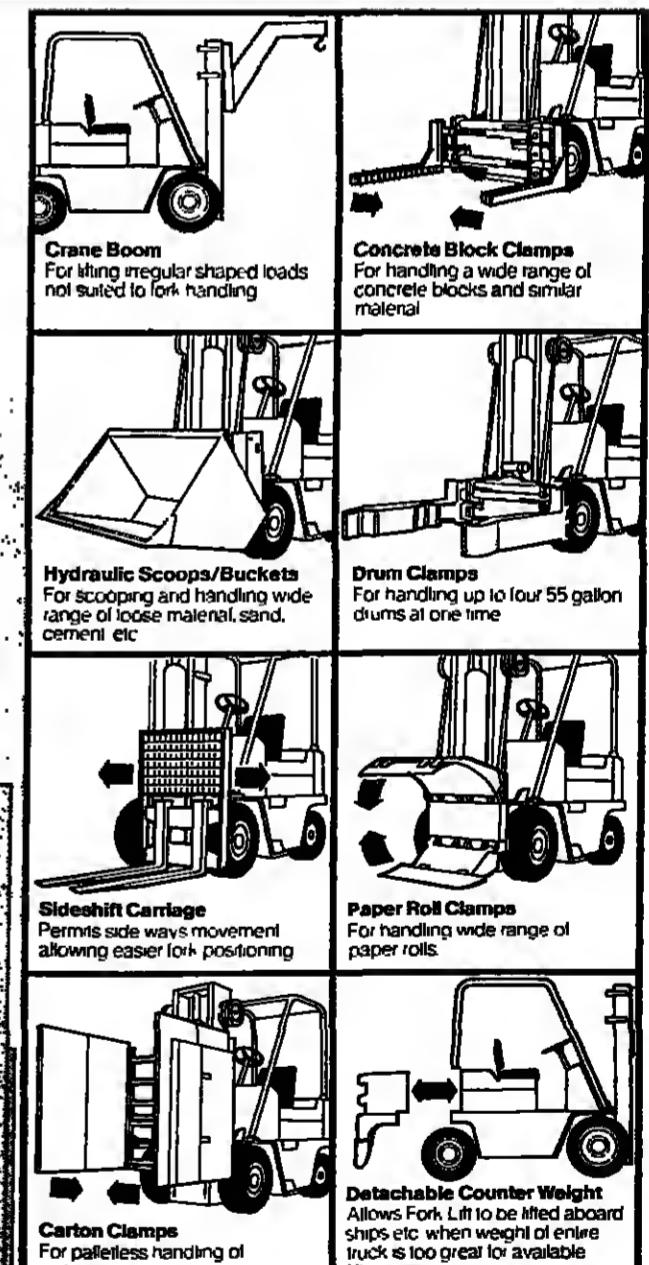
Hot water kills 13-month-old child

BOSTON, Jan. 15 (AP) — A 13-month-old child died early Sunday, possibly scalded to death by hot water overflowing from a bathroom sink, police said. Police broke down a locked bathroom door and found Muhammad Islam lying in hot water about a half-inch deep.

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PALESTINIAN UNITY

Records of past Palestinian National Council meetings underline the complete absence of the elements of surprise. Because so many factions are involved, secrets are poorly kept and final agreement often made in such general terms that hardly cause a stir. This time, too, the items on the agenda are known and the overall position with regards to each of them is also known. If there is to be a dark horse, it may be the much-publicized government in-exile which is known to be an item for discussion though approval appears very unlikely.

Friends of the resistance movement, while not expecting miracles, still hope for a flexible position that will keep all the options open if not improve the chances of PLO participation in the international efforts to settle the Middle East problem. A more positive approach than simply rejecting the Camp David agreements would be to propose an alternate plan to achieve Palestinian rights with the support of the other Arab states and the world community. Observers believe that the various Palestinian organizations may this time follow the example of the Arab states which held a summit conference in Baghdad last month. This example means that the Palestinians would work out a strategy of minimum demands which would enjoy the support of one and all. Such a strategy is more likely today than at any previous National Council session because more Arab states are ready to support the Palestinians in furthering policies that do not contradict with the general Arab interest.

The main draft before the session is one calling for unity of the various groups but it is written in such general terms that no one would object. Still, a minimum of unity is better than none and the Palestinians could then approach the Arab states with a united front for seeking their support.

Such a front would be based on the following:

—Measures to combat plans for self-rule in the West Bank and Gaza Strip for fear that the American-supported plans would fall short of the Palestinian demand for a homeland.

—A program for closer cooperation with Jordan—a move directly linked to the Egypt-Israeli peace talks and the PLO's determination to encourage Jordan to stay out.

—Steps to join the National Action Charter between Iraq and Syria in the expectation that united Syria and Iraq would become a force to reckon with in the Middle East.

—Agreement to join a direct or indirect dialogue with Washington on condition that no concessions are made in advance, but that a more moderate position would be adopted if and when a Palestinian state is created.

The last point should be the most controversial at the session. The Carter administration has already opened an indirect line to the Palestinians but it remains publicly committed in no contacts with the PLO until it recognizes Israel's right to exist. The PLO will only accept that after a Palestinian state is approved but not before and mediators continue to seek a way out. A government-in-exile would have been a solution but there remains a strong group opposing it among the Palestinians and the Arab states.

Bomb scare

By a Staff Reporter
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — The CIA and the FBI have ordered a U.S. government agency not to release a new report on the fate of the missing bomb-grade uranium believed to have been diverted to Israel in the 1960s.

The report by the General Accounting Office (GAO) — completed late last month — will remain classified despite the fact that GAO investigators were denied access to the highly sensitive FBI and CIA files on the case.

The reason why the report must remain secret is itself classified, a CIA spokesman told reporters here.

For more than a decade, various government agencies and congressional committees have been trying to discover what happened to 206 pounds of highly enriched uranium that disappeared from an Apollo, Pennsylvania, nuclear fuel company sometime during the 1960s.

The probes have been blocked repeatedly by U.S. intelligence agencies, which have refused to share information in their files with investigators.

There is widespread belief in government and congressional circles that the missing uranium

was diverted to Israel for use in that country's atomic bomb program.

The missing 206 pounds of nuclear material would have been sufficient to manufacture 10 small atomic bombs.

The new GAO report — the result of over a year of interviews and investigation — was requested by the House Commerce subcommittee on Energy and Power.

Subcommittee Chairman Rep. John Dingell of Michigan has criticized the FBI and CIA for insisting the GAO report remain secret.

In a letter to Staats, Dingell said the FBI's refusal to cooperate with investigators "stretches the imagination."

After years of investigation, the FBI has "still not interviewed some of the central actors involved" in the affair, the congressman said.

One of the key figures in the case is Dr. Zalman Shapiro, a former Atomic Energy Commission scientist who headed the Apollo, Pa., nuclear firm NUMEC (Nuclear Materials and Equipment Corp.) in the 1960s.

U.S. investigators have noted that Shapiro had extensive business contacts with Israel, and had allowed Israeli scientists to visit the NUMEC plant.



Cambodia's agony

By Denis D. Gray

BANGKOK —

Revolutionary zealots topple rightist generals, rebels become the rulers, governments come and go. But one thing in Cambodia is as constant as its monsoon rains — the agony.

A lovely young girl props herself up from the floor of a hospital corridor decked with flies and feces, smiling. Her right arm is sheared off and the collar bone juts out naked and already greenish with decay. Miles away from her village an American pilot had pushed a button and let loose a cargo of bloodletting.

He and she are the ones who died hauling the huge stones of Angkor Wat for the greater glory of 12th century Idols and their mystic universe. And it is they who were herded into camps over the last four years to build "a new glorious Cambodia" to the blueprint of a Marxist dream gone mad with bloodletting.

From King Jayavarman II to Premier Pol Pot, all have professed to love the man in the fields and all have trampled him underfoot or worse.

Yes, there was a time, a very brief moment in a 1,000-year history when the newsmen's epithet for Cambodia was "an oasis of peace in the Indochina war" and when visitors romanticized about Cambodians as the most gentle, smiling people anywhere.

There were foreigners who vowed never to leave after being seduced by a sun-drenched, languid life or by Phnom Penh, a capital of Buddhist temples, elegant villas and broad boulevards, a Paris with palm.

That was the time between Cambodia's independence from France in 1953 and the outbreak of the war 17 years later.

The U.S.-backed government leaders that toppled Prince Norodom Sihanouk in 1970

— the Vietnamese takeover of the weary country, accomplished in a three-week offensive, may have ended the downward

spiral and kneaded the end not of the pain, but of Cambodia as a national entity.

It is an old, old cliché about the little man always getting the worst deal. But the Cambodian peasant who makes up most of the population and who wants nothing more than to see his rice and children grow has ceaselessly proved it.

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The war on the ground was more savage than that in Vietnam, revealing what sophisticated observers had known for a long time — the easy-going smiling Cambodians could be pushed to explosions of savagery and cruelty.

The war dead by various estimates numbered 600,000 to 800,000 — about one person in every 10 in the country. The disabled ran into hundreds of thousands and the country's infrastructure was in ruins.

The communist forces won, but the white flags in Phnom Penh on April 17, 1975, were waving from relief that peace had finally come. That illusion lasted about six hours.

Nothing has yet surfaced to disprove stories by refugees and others about the 45 months of terror that followed. Cambodia had again become a killing ground, but this time it was the leadership turning on its own people.

Within hours of Phnom Penh's "liberation," its more than two million inhabitants were forced into the countryside at gunpoint.

Many in the world — even former sympathizers — have charged that hundreds of thousands if not many more were killed or died of disease and, initially, hunger. — (AP)

saudi press review

"Al-Medina" railed at the banks operating in the country calling them "millionaires' clubs".

"These banks, unlike those in Europe and the United States, fail to provide the kind of services that are needed by large sectors of the population."

"They include building private homes, starting businesses or putting bold new ideas into practice." The writer said that earlier comments on banking in the country "did not merit much attention by the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency although the agency studied allegations against Citibank for demanding minimum deposits of SR 10,000 and penalizing those falling below SR 10,000."

The writer said that the country needs different kinds of banks which serve the common man and not merely the banks and their shareholders.

"The reason the banks have confined themselves to serving millionaires is the absence of competition since the business of banking here is nearly monopolistic and the existing banks have more work than they can handle."

The writer said "more national and foreign banks allowed to open branches within the framework of a sound banking system in the interest of the citizen. This way we can break this vicious monopoly."

"Al-Bilad" said the graduation of the first class from the girls college of education in Jeddah may appear common enough elsewhere. But here, in Saudi Arabia, "we look at it as an important landmark in our educational progress. It is so important that the King's wife will grace the occasion personally. Fifteen girls will be given degrees in science and arts. This is another landmark in our deve-

lopment," the paper said.

Commenting on the decision of the interior ministry to carry out a concerted campaign to root out illegal immigrants in the country, "Al-Nadwa" said the campaign "is bound to lead to a greater shortage of workers and consequently, higher wages."

"Two things must be done immediately to avoid the adverse impact on the country," the paper suggested. "The first is to make sure that foreign companies carrying out contracts should not resort to locally recruited workers thereby depriving local companies of the necessary work force. And secondly, the government must hasten to open a number of branches, already promised, to facilitate the import of foreign labor. These two suggestions will help offset the dearth of labor that is likely to result from the current campaign to send home illegal immigrants," the paper added.

Iran's oil and the U.S.

we imported more oil than we ever had before.

SCHLESINGER: No, we have not. As a result of bringing on Alaska, of course, we have reduced our imports from abroad from about 8.8 million barrels a day in 1977 to about 8 million barrels a day this year. Imports are up in the last weeks, compared to prior weeks, but overall, we are down somewhat. Unless we change our habits, imports will continue to increase, however.

SCHAKNE: What are the threats, Mr. Secretary, to Saudi Arabia and other Gulf oil-producing areas?

SCHLESINGER: I think that the underlying question for all of the states in the area is which nations offer protection which nations do not. These are relatively weak states; they must have external sources of support if they are to retain their independence.

SCHAKNE: Over the years the United States has been the principal external source of support. It has provided stability in that area. It would seem under these circumstances that the continued presence and support of the United States should remain unquestioned, if these nations are not to begin to adjust their policies and begin to make accommodations which we would find uncomfortable.

HERMAN: Secretary Schlesinger, will the continuing loss of oil imported formerly from Iran force the United States and your Department of Energy to do anything in the way of allocations, rationing, or price changes?

SCHAKNE: It could well do that; depends on how long the cut-off lasts. For the next two or three months, we are in reasonably good shape, but if the cut-off continues, we must recognize that we are drawing down inventories two million barrels a day more than normal, and we will have to take actions to begin to rebuild our inventories for next winter. That implies all of the things are possibilities.

HERMAN: Secretary Schlesinger, you say that if the Iranian oil deficit continues for some time, we're going to have to take various steps. Could you give me some kind of an idea of the time scale — for example, are you going to have to start taking some steps this coming week, or next week, or are we talking about months away, or what?

SCHLESINGER: Depends in part on the response of the American people. We have called for voluntary savings; adherence to the 55 mph per hour speed limit; setting thermostats at 65 degrees; cutting out unnecessary driving. If we were to take those steps, the U.S. shortfall itself would be offset. But we are losing five and a half million barrels a day from world oil supplies. To make up for that we're drawing down stocks, worldwide, by something on the order of two million barrels a day in excess of normal. We are borrowing against the future. If this shut-off were to go for three months, let us say, we would have to begin steps to constrain demand here in the United States.

SIDER: You've met in recent weeks with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense, and Mr. Zbigniew Brzezinski, talking about Iran, and what this country could do about it and what the situation was. Is there any policy that the administration has now to deal with our interests in Iran, and is there anything that the administration can do, in that situation?

SCHLESINGER: I think that the situation has gone sufficiently far, at this point; that it is not easy to see steps that could reverse the present trend of events. The Shah has designated a new prime minister; he's indicated that he's prepared to leave the country on a vacation. I think to a large extent events within the country will have to work themselves out. Perhaps as significant as the events in Iran themselves will be the implications for neighboring countries, Saudi Arabia, in particular; the other Gulf states; Iraq. They are watching a loosening of Western influence in the area, a rise of Soviet influence. And unless we are prepared to take steps to shore up those other countries, we will be in serious trouble.

HERMAN: What kind of steps?

SCHLESINGER: That remains to be seen, but I think that there must be clear and unequivocal evidence to other nations in the Gulf area of the firmness and steadfastness of American support.

SIDER: How do you read Soviet intentions with Iran?

SCHLESINGER: The Soviets have taken advantage of an opportunity that has come along — I'm not sure whether or not they played a role in stimulating the development of the situation in Iran, but unquestionably it provides an opportunity for them to exploit unrest and the effect, the overall effect, of the events in Iran, has been to weaken the position

in a better position to deal with the various factions of which only the religious and the communist groups have some form of ideology."

"These would eventually struggle for power. Hence the government's awareness of the

need to work closely with the religious groups to ensure its existence. Nor does this rule out the gravity of the situation that would result in the absence of the Shah, which the government has already indicated that it may be for good."



Three books about two of Saudi Arabia's neighbors

"Pakistan, Past and Present"
Stacy International, London, 1977.
Price: SR. 150.

By F.W. Rawling

JEDDAH — Readers and collectors of excellent books will have by now become accustomed to the high standards of the books produced so far by Stacy International. They specialize in carefully researched, expertly written and beautifully illustrated "in depth" studies of different lands.

In "Pakistan Past and Present," Stacy has collected the essays of a variety of writers many from the universities and civil service departments of Pakistan itself, and others, from Britain especially, who have a long association with the country before and after its establishment as an independent state in 1947.

A significant anniversary — the centenary of the birth of Mohamed Ali Jinnah, the founder of Pakistan — gave both the occasion for the production of the book and the subject of the very important opening section.

Jinnah was an extremely controversial figure for most of his life, and the controversies which surrounded his role in the partition of British India and the establishment of Pakistan have not diminished over the years.

Inevitably, "Pakistan" is a partisan book. Readers who have also studied accounts by Indian apologists of the important events leading up to and immediately following partition, will, quite properly, hear the other side of the argument.

The recent history of Pakistan, therefore, should be read "the round," with evidence drawn from as many different sources as possible. The emergence of Bangladesh after the civil war of 1971 and India's part in that conflict are events whose discussion still generates more heat than light in the argument, and it may be some time before all the facts come out objectively.

More recently, the coup of 1978, in which Prime Minister, Zia, was replaced by yet another military regime, overtake us of what this book is attempting to explain about the

political evolution of Pakistan.

The contemporary turmoil in Afghanistan, Iran and Turkey seems to suggest that a crisis of cultural identity pervades the whole of West Asia and that this is bringing into conflict traditional and progressive forces.

As an important part of the subcontinent, however, the history of what is now Pakistan is ancient, rich and wonderfully interesting. The book deals with this historical evolution in a most fascinating way. Many of the great movements, the wars, the mingling of peoples, the establishment of religions and cultures took place in the North West and the Punjab.

It is the non-controversial, historical parts of this book which are particularly well done. Readers will especially enjoy the descriptions of the Indus Valley civilization and the gloriously creative Mogul period. The most recent historical

evolutions of Pakistan, however, seem to have been described by official spokesmen in accordance with the views of the then Bhutto government. The danger, of course, in this is that since independence, governments have tended to have stormy lives in Pakistan and violent ends. Books written to elucidate a particular party line tend to become rapidly redundant.

The advantage of having a large number of contributors writing briefly about their special subjects is sometimes offset by slight imbalances in the writing and literary styles and occasional repetitions.

However, to have gathered for the first time an encyclopedic study of Pakistan's history, geography, industry, commerce, peoples, culture and national aspirations is an imaginative achievement which deserves congratulation and success.

"Yemen: The Politics of the Yemen Arab Republic"

By Robert W. Stookey. Published by Western Special Studies on the Middle East. Boulder, Colorado. Distributed in the U.K. by Ernest Benn Limited, Sovereign Way, Tonbridge, England. Price: £13.75. 322 pages. 1978.

By Eurydice Cain

SANA'A — This is the first complete, single-volume history of Yemen published in England since 1859. When Captain Playfair produced his "History of Arabia Felix or Yemen."

The study of Yemeni history is still in its infant stages and Dr. Stookey must be congratulated on the results of this ambitious project.

The author was the British Charge d'Affaires in Yemen from July, 1961 to March, 1963. He is thus in a fortunate position to give a first hand account of the September, 1962 revolution and the early days of the Republic. In 1973 he had the opportunity to return to the country on a Fulbright-Hays Senior Research grant. This gave him an opportunity to study the complexities of the Iyani government and to understand the various factions operating there.

Stookey begins with the known history of the ancient South Arabian kingdoms and traces that region's long cul-

tural continuity from those times to the present day. He demonstrates this continuity in many ways, not the least of which is the unbroken lineage of present tribal names like Hashid, Bakil and Hamdan.

The history of medieval Yemen is highly complex, with many dynasties appearing briefly, to be quickly eclipsed by others. Stookey clarifies these events succinctly. He shows the interaction of world affairs; the extent to which Yemen became linked to the Islamic dynasties like the Umayyads, Abbasids, Fatimids, Ayyubids, Mamluks and the Ottomans and their struggle for commercial supremacy in the Red Sea.

He carries his research through to 1977, illustrating the events that followed the fall of the Hamid al-Din Imamate, the protracted Civil War and consequential chaos which was ended only temporarily with the 1974 Correction Movement led by Ibrahim al-Hamdi. Following the dramatic events of the last two years, another chapter to this valuable study is clearly needed.

Stookey approaches his subject intelligently. Unfortunately his prose is often top heavy with distracting professional jargon. And, though he uses primary Arabic sources and provides a full bibliography, some of his sources are out-dated.

BOOKSHELF

"Arabische Republik Yemen: Wirtschaftsgeographie eines Entwicklungslandes," by Horst Dequin. (Arab Republic of Yemen: Economic Geography of a Developing Country.) Riyadh, 1976.

By Dagmar Mann JEDDAH — Horst Dequin, a German specialist in regional planning and agricultural economy, has spent long periods in the Kingdom and Yemen since 1955. He is the author of "The Challenge of Saudi Arabia," a book that greatly admires the ambitions of the late King Abdul Aziz but which suffers from Dequin's attempts to capture in English what he knows best in German.

"Arabische Republik Yemen," which is written in German, frees Dequin of his English troubles. Where "Challenge" seems stalled through language barriers, readers of German will find "Arabische Republik" far more comfortable. Horst Dequin is a graduate of Berlin Technical University. He is a specialist in regional planning and agricultural economy. During the Yemen civil

war, Dequin worked as government advisor and project leader of the German agricultural aid program. He continued his visits and research work to Yemen after the peace settlement of 1970.

"Arabische Republik Yemen" deals with the economic and agricultural development of Yemen until 1976.

The study is in three main parts: first, the present economic situation of Yemen, then its agriculture, and finally development policies.

The preface gives a short summary of the history of Yemen starting with the Sabean and Minaean periods then, statistical data of the present situation; and finally an explanation of the methods of research applied. The 62 pages of the appendix consist of more than 50 tables which seem to furnish every conceivable fact: for instance, table XII, "Annual Balance sheets of the Central Bank," or XXIV, "Slaughtered Animals According to Districts."

Thirty-six tables are interspersed within the chapters as well as 17 maps illustrating the text. These tables, together

with the clear structure of chapters and subchapters, enable even readers with an imperfect knowledge of German to obtain a good deal of information. It should be remarked — though not stressed — that the style of the language is not easy, but rather scholarly and dry.

A great deal of very interesting information is often given at the beginning of the subchapters. For example, in I.2 on infrastructure, the author mentions ancient road and sea routes, and because geographical factors still play an important role, the mention of former conditions is both illustrative and fully justified.

Another useful chapter of more general character is I.6, "Government and Administration," whose structure is described concisely. Thus a clear framework of underlying historical facts is followed by detailed descriptions or, in other chapters, follows the special data.

The study as a whole is a well balanced presentation of the North Yemeni economy.

Rejuvenating Classic German ballet

By Edelgard Simon

HAMBURG, West Germany — Only a few years away from boyhood tap dancing lessons in Milwaukee, John Neumeier has made Hamburg's state opera ballet into one of the most exciting in the world.

Many critics call 36-year-old Neumeier the great rejuvenator of Classic ballet. The most enthusiastic rank him second only to George Balanchine.

The climax of his work so far was his December staging of "West Side Story," which one critic said paved the musical's way to the metropolitan opera.

"I'm glad he said that," Neumeier said. "I really hope I did."

Neumeier sees an "incredible" and "startling" boom in ballet in America, but feels the financial situation there sets limits he cannot accept.

"Working there is very difficult for me because my ballets are based on a complete con-

cept — costumes, lighting, a particular motif of moving," Neumeier said.

"The part of my work that I find very important is to make dance as human as possible. For a long time, dancing has been such an over-aestheticized form that people lose their own connection with it."

During the important Classical period of ballet in Russia and the Romantic period in Paris, dancing was considered as "sort of superhuman."

That is why Neumeier considers his "werkstatt" (workshop) performances, a series of which have been shown on German television, so important.

"The idea of the werkstatt is not so much to explain the steps as to explain how you might watch ballet," he said.

It is not important to understand the steps but to understand the emotional and human response. This search for a human response led him to Classic ballet.

"If something is called Classic, I feel it has meaning for all time. But because 'Swan Lake' is 100 years old, we have a different way of looking at the theme today. I try to project a closeness to our own situation."

Neumeier came to Europe in 1962 to study and because there seemed no future then in American ballet. In Stuttgart he worked with the late John Cranko. Later he moved to Frankfurt and, in 1973, started in Hamburg with "the absolute worst publicity anybody could have."

This resulted from his decision to bring his own dancers from Frankfurt, dropping the options of 16 dancers at the Hamburg opera.

But a year later, when he opened his first werkstatt, all was forgiven. Since then, his ballets are always sold out. His ballet festival each summer attracts fans from far outside Germany. — (UPI)

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Beats Ashe in 3 hours

McEnroe defeats nerves to take Masters tourney

NEW YORK, Jan. 15 (AP)

Nineteen-year-old John McEnroe rallied and won his first big title Sunday, defeating veteran Arthur Ashe 6-7, 6-3, 7-5 in a tense three-hour final at the \$400,000 Grand Prix Masters tennis tournament.

"I knew Arthur was a great player, I was just hoping he wouldn't prove it today," said McEnroe, who had to save two match points in the third set and win six of the last seven games to take the first prize of \$100,000.

Some expected the 35-year-old Ashe would be an easy opponent and McEnroe thought the match would be decided on who served better. But that wasn't the way it turned out.

In the opening set, as Ashe hammered his serve deep and hard, McEnroe's service went to pieces.

Ashe, the heavy favorite of the 17,000 Madison Square Garden crowd, opened the match in style, winning the first game at love as McEnroe failed to return a single serve.

Nerves

McEnroe's nerves and ser-

vice problems reached their height at the tenth. He had three set points and blew them all by double faulting.

He managed advantage on deuce once, when Ashe hit a defensive lob long. But the youngster, a pained expression

permanently fixed on his face, blew an easy overhead on the next point, then made two backhand errors to give Ashe the game.

Each held service at love to force the tiebreaker. McEnroe began taking more time with his serve but now his first volleys became unreliable. Ashe won the tiebreaker, 7-5 on a service winner. The set took 57 minutes.

McEnroe broke Ashe's service in the second set to make it 3-1 and broke it again to win the set easily at 6-3.

Ashe got the first break of the final set for 3-1, winning the game on McEnroe's double fault. Ashe then held his service a 4-1 lead before McEnroe began his comeback in the sixth game, winning all four points on strong serves, and racing on to 4-4.

Nasr moves on top

Rain snatches victory from Ittihad

By David Smith

JEDDAH, Jan. 15 — The Premier Division match between Al-Ittihad and Al-Nasr in Jeddah Monday was abandoned after 54 minutes when torrential rain made further play impossible. The sides were level at 1-1 when the referee put an end to the proceedings.

In Damman, second-placed Al-Nasr moved ahead of Al-Ittihad at the top of the table with a 1-0 victory over Al-Kadsia. Agrabi was the scorer with a half-time penalty.

Ittihad will be disappointed with the postponement as it had been in-control of the game during an entertaining first half. Midfield player Theo Buecker was once again the cynosure of the Ittihad side with several surging runs from deep in his own half and numerous searching passes into the heart of the Damman defense.

Up front Issa Hamdan and center-forward Sjoberg responded to his prompting with some penetrative running, and it was Hamdan in fact who put the Jeddah side ahead with a goal in the 12th minute, his tenth of the season.

Ittihad should have gone further ahead on the half-hour

mark when Abu Samra and Othman Marzoog missed good opportunities to score. A neat through ball from Buecker gave Abu Samra a clear run at goal, but the tall striker allowed the advancing goalkeeper to block the shot. Issa Hamdan picked up the loose ball and turned it back across goal to Marzoog who hurried his shot and blazed the ball high over the crossbar.

Nasr refused to give up in the face of this pressure and showed some clever attacking skills, especially on the wings. The Damman side actually had the ball in the net in the 30th minute, but the referee notoriously disallowed the goal, despite the frantic protests of the Nasra fans.

Ittihad went in at half-time one goal ahead, but must have hoped to add to that score. The weather however had other ideas, and shortly before the restart the dark clouds opened and rain began to drive across the stadium.

The match got under way for the second half despite the rain and within a minute Al-Nasr had equalized.

A left wing cross was headed clear by Buecker, but when the ball was turned back into the crowded penalty area it was a Nasra foot that was

waiting to send the ball past the unighted Al-Shehri and into the net.

Hamdan almost restored

Ittihad's lead with a crashing drive on the turn that flew just wide of the post, but by this time it was apparent that cohesive football was out of the question with the ball being held up by the pool of water gathering on the synthetic surface.

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Weather wrecks English program

LONDON, Jan. 15 (AP) — Monday night's English FA Cup soccer program has been hit by the icy weather that has wrecked soccer schedules in Britain for the past three weeks.

Morning pitch inspections

ruled out play at Hartlepool,

Fleetwood, Stoke, Wrexham and

Newcastle. Liverpool's third

round replay at Southend had

already been switched to Wed-

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EEC blames U.S. for failure of export credit talks

BRUSSELS, Jan. 15 (AP) — The European Common Market Monday put the responsibility for the new failure in international export credit talks in Paris on the United States.

In an official press release, issued here Monday, the Common Market Commission claimed the Common Market had constantly contributed to exploratory talks held in Paris,

and Washington, and, like other participants, it had made further contributions in last week's Paris talks, which could facilitate progress, but the U.S. delegation quit before the meeting had ended, saying it was not interested anymore.

The talks were on the possible addition to the arrangement of state-financed export credit of agriculture, planes and nuclear plants.

Iraqi aide in Spain to boost trade ties

MAIDRID, Jan. 15 (R) — Iraqi Commerce Minister Hassan Ali arrived Monday for an official visit and talks with Spanish officials on increasing trade between the two countries.

At present there is a huge

imbalance in bilateral trade in favor of Iraq, Spanish Commerce Minister Jose Antonio Gargia Diaz said.

Iraq sells \$500 million worth of goods — mainly oil — to Spain while Spanish exports to Iraq total only \$50 million.



CLEAN-UP: As part of the campaign to clean up the rivers and ports of Britain, special floating mechanical bulldozers are being used to remove the muck and give the fish a chance to breed again. (CPA)

Protesting bank strikes

Indian traders shut up shop

NEW DELHI, Jan. 15 (AP) — In a protest against strikes and slowdowns by bank em-

ployees, traders and businessmen closed their shops in two parts of India Monday, bringing commercial activity to a standstill, the United News of India reported.

The protest in Gujarat State, western India, and Bangalore, South India, followed last week's one-day strike by Bombay's business community who about 20,000 shops and stores closed their shutters and private trucks and buses went off the roads.

Traders in Gujarat and Bangalore, capital of Karnataka state, southeast of Bombay, criticized the nationwide "go-slow and irresponsible behavior of bank employees." They are demanding higher wages and cost of living allowances and a link between bank profits and annual bonuses.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Morarji Desai, referring to the agitating bank personnel, told reporters in Bhopal, north India, "We will not submit to anybody's threat. They get more (pay) than others." But he announced no measures to end the agitation, which has crippled much of India's financial activity for weeks.

More than 500,000 bank workers went on a two-day strike last month to support of their demands and have since waged a "work-to-rule" slowdown.

Millions of unpaid checks are piling up around the country. A longer full-scale strike has been threatened soon.

In Bangalore, no checks have been cleared since Dec. 23.

India's bank employees are among the country's best paid white collar workers. A teller with two years' experience gets monthly pay of about \$87 plus a yearly bonus equal to a month's pay.

"It is better to tackle water supplies and eliminate grinding poverty than to try to increase annual income to 1,500 to 2,000 dollars a year throughout a country's population. It's true that with that level of income grinding poverty will disappear, but it would take well beyond the year 2000," he said.

He told participants at the seminar organized by the World Bank and the independent British Overseas Development Institute, that the developing countries were now asking if there be more transfer of resources from rich states to the poor and how much part they would have in the decision-making process.

"After the OPEC price increase, members of the Third World have seen how to get money out of the rich by right and not charity," he said. "This has meant a renewed militancy by Third World countries who want to see a new international economic order."

"Perhaps when the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) meets in May they may get some real changes. But it will need the agreement and acceptance by the rich countries that they should allow access for

cheap manufactured goods from the developing world. An increase in the flow of resources, finances and trade will help middle income developing countries to benefit from the improving world economic position and not just aid," he said.

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Israelis said drilling oil well in Suez Gulf

sied in Israel, but foreign reports say Iran has supplied 60 per cent of Israel's petroleum needs — about 90,000 barrels a day.

The Alma oil field currently produces about 20,000 barrels a day, and has a capacity of about 26,000 barrels.

The conditions for returning the oil field have been a point of contention between Israel and Egypt. Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan has said that the Iranian situation made the field "even more essential" to Israel than it had been before.

Energy statistics are classi-

Greece reports lowest inflation rate in years

ATHENS, Jan. 15 (AP) — Greece's inflation rate for 1978

totaled 11.5 per cent, the lowest figure in recent years, the government announced Monday.

The announcement said inflation was 12.8 per cent in 1977 and 1976, 15.7 per cent in 1979, and 13.5 per cent in 1974, while in 1973 it touched a record of 50.6 per cent.

It added the drop this year was a "success" in the government's anti-inflation drive pending entry as the tenth mem-



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SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF

15 TH JANUARY 1979

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4. BARGES EX ATLANTIC FOREST				3/1/1979
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11. IONIAN CARRIER	ROLACO	BULK CEMENT		5/1/1979
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EXCHANGE RATES AND LONDON GOLD

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LONDON NEW YORK

January 12 Opening Prices

USA 1,905-1,995 STG 1,995-1,990

Canada 1,365-2,365 BFR CON 29,37-29,40

France 5,875-5,875 CAN 2,36-2,37

Germany 4,270-4,280 FFR 4,270-4,280

Italy 1,673.75-1,674.75 IT 1,673.75-1,674.75

Spain 3,998-4,010 DFL 2,81-2,82

Sweden 8,680-8,690 SVK 1,689-1,690

Denmark 10,270-10,280 ALM SCH 1,689-1,690

Austria 5,080-5,082 DNR 5,165-5,167

Portugal 1,270-1,272 NKR 5,080-5,082

Switzerland 1,39-1,40 SNK 4,420-4,422

Japan 39,52-39,54 BFR FIN 29,30-29,31

MEXICO 32,11-32,12

Sig. one month 40-34 dir. two months 74-64 dir.

three months 116-108 dir. six months 250-194

Case, twelve months 310-220

Cats, three months 5-1 dir. six months 7-1 dir.

three months 5-7 prem. six months 30-35 prem.

Twelve months 90-80 prem.

LONDON GOLD 3217.40

January 12 3:00 p.m. fix ... 3217.40

Previous day's ... 3216.60

Yesterday's fix ... 3212.20

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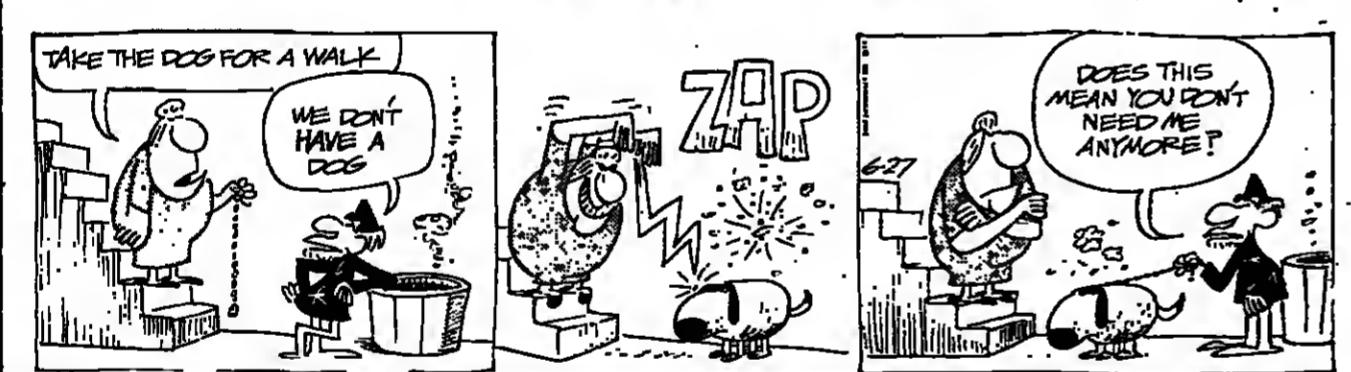
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ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

PRAYER TIMES

	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	5:43	7:07	12:37	3:45	6:02	7:33
Medina	5:51	7:12	12:39	3:42	5:59	7:29
Nejd	5:15	6:41	12:05	3:09	5:26	6:56

DHAHRAN TV

5:30 Children's Show
6:09 W. World of Sports
7:10 Smoking Spot
7:11 That's My Mama
7:37 Charlie's Angels
8:24 Best Sellers

Top Cat: King for a Day
IROC No. 2: International Race
Light Me, Harry
Clinton and the Kid
Dirty Business
Wheels, Part 5

WEATHER

The weather will improve during the day in the Western Province where winds will be northwesterly at moderate speed, gaining in velocity occasionally. Cloud and rain will however prevail in the Northern Province, parts of the Central Province and the western highlands.

Active southerly winds will blow in the southern and central provinces causing sand storms and reducing visibility. Sea conditions in territorial waters will be choppy in the Red Sea and moderate in the Gulf.

Monday's temperature (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	30	21	Taif	22	13
Jeddah	30	22	Tabuk	23	10
Riyadh	24	09	Turaif	19	02
Dhahran	24	09	Bisha	23	05
Medina	20	10	Yanbu	29	19
Hail	21	07	Abha	16	07

SAUDI RADIO

Afternoon Transmission
1:00 Opening
1:01 The Holy Quran
1:02 Gems of Guidance
1:03 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle
1:04 S.A. Historical Notes
1:05 Off the Record
1:06 Your Choice
1:07 On Islam
1:08 Islam the Divine Truth
1:09 Music
1:10 NEWS
1:11 Press Review
1:12 Music
1:13 My Music
1:30 Close Down

Evening Transmission
10:00 Opening
10:01 The Holy Quran
10:03 Message to the Faithful
10:10 Light Music

10:15 NEWS
10:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle
10:30 Music Worldwide
11:00 Champions of Solidarity
11:10 Press Review
11:15 The Sixties
11:45 The World of Music
12:00 Islamic Contributions
12:15 The Songwriters
12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
12:59 Close Down

News Summary
10:30 VOA Magazine:
America; Science;
Cultural; Letter.
11:00 Special English; News
11:30 Music USA;
(Jazz)

VOA WORLD REPORT
Midnight
12:00 News.. newsmakers'
voices.. correspondents'
reports.. background;
features.. media comments.. news analyses

BBC

Morning Transmission
6:00 World News
6:09 Twenty-Four Hours
News Summary
7:30 "Sarah Ward
8:45 World Today
9:00 Newsdesk
9:30 "Opera Star
10:00 World News
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours
News Summary
10:30 "Sarah Ward
10:45 "Something to Show
You
11:00 World News
11:09 Reflection
11:15 Piano Style
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978
12:00 World News
12:09 British Press Review
12:15 World Today
12:30 Financial News
12:40 Look Ahead
12:45 The Tony Myall
Request Show
Evening Transmission
1:15 Ulster in Focus
1:30 Discovery
2:00 World News
2:09 News about Britain
2:15 Alphabet of
Musical Curios
2:30 Sports International
2:40 Radio Newsreel
2:45 Promenade Concert
3:45 Sports Round-up
4:00 World News
5:09 Twenty-Four Hours
News Summary

4:30 The Pleasure's Yours
5:15 Report on Religion
6:00 Radio Newsreel
6:15 "Outlook
7:00 World News
7:09 Commentary
7:15 "Sherlock Holmes
7:45 World Today
8:00 World News
8:09 "Books and Writers
8:30 "Take One
8:45 Sports Round-up
9:00 World News
9:09 News about Britain
9:15 Radio Newsreel
9:30 Farming World
10:00 Outlook News
Summary
10:39 Stock Market Report
10:43 Look Ahead
10:45 Ulster in Focus
11:00 World News
11:09 Twenty-Four Hours
News Summary
11:30 The Pleasure's Yours
Midnight Transmission
12:15 Talkabout
12:45 Nature
Notebook
1:00 World News
1:09 World Today
1:25 Financial News
1:35 Book Choice
1:40 Reflections
1:45 Sports Round-up
2:00 World News
2:09 Commentary
2:15 The Face of England

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1978

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

Be a jack-of-all-trades now, handling the minor responsibilities that will crop up in various departments of life. Accent flexibility.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)

Romantic thoughts permeate your moods today, but it may be hard to rouse a spark of interest from others at the present time.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21)

Except for a few small items, you'll probably not find what you're looking for when shopping. A day for putting around the house.

CANCER (June 22 to July 22)

Fluctuating moods may make it difficult to follow through on ideas now. Your thoughts may wander from one thing to another.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

Displeasure over your own finances may darken your mood for a spell. Then the situation brightens when you purchase a small item for yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

A day of inactivity which you'll brighten up by spending



Some time by yourself. What you're looking for now comes from within.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

Along with your thoughts, you'll review both the good and bad of recent developments. By day's end you'll feel pleased with yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

You may resent a friend's intrusion on your privacy, but once out among others, you'll find the day better than your expectations.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

A business associate's abrupt behavior may turn you off, but it's nothing to get concerned about. Matters at a distance affect business decisions.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

You're in the mood for cultural activities, but the affairs of business keep your mind on more mundane matters. Financial gain is possible.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

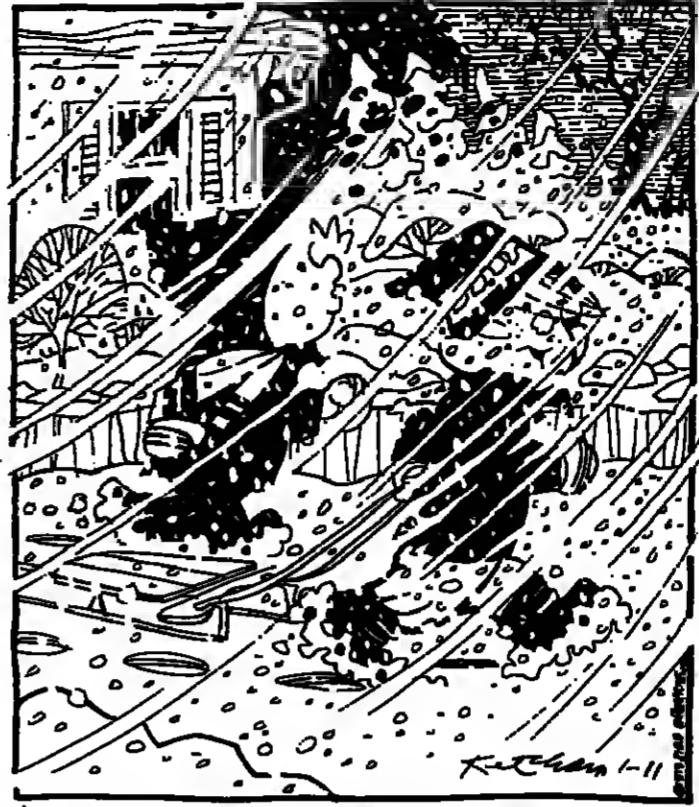
Not a day for wheeling and dealing, though moderate financial opportunities should be capitalized on. Go along with the ideas of a close ally.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

Even with your support, a partner or close friend may not accomplish as much as anticipated. Be content to help out in small ways.



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Crossword

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ACROSS

1 Cookie

5 Tossed Item

10 Norwegian

11 Salty

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13 Utopian

14 Male figure

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16 Ramble

17 "proposes,"

18 "hot God,"

19 Molasses

20 Livid

21 Carry

22 Sensible

23 Knots

24 Common

25 Verb

26 Coach of the

27 Oakland

28 Dragsters

29 cowboy's

30 Spikes

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32 "porker,"

33 French

34 "Tucks

35 "Cervel

36 In our

37 Exploit

DOWNS

1 Organ

2 Feature

3 Vagabond

4 Wide open

5 Dependent

6 Cairo VIP

7 Seafood

8 Football

9 Tidbits

10 Living

11 Tolerable

12 "Wid

13 "Pushed

14 "For the

15 "Too far

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New Cambodian regime launches diplomatic drive

BANGKOK, Jan. 15 (UPI)—The new pro-Vietnamese administration in Cambodia Monday stepped up a diplomatic offensive against the government of ousted Prime Minister Pol Pot as its military attack came within earshot of the Thai border.

The Hanoi-backed Cambodian People's Revolutionary Council of Heng Samrin sent a letter to the chairman of the United Nations Security Council saying any meeting on the Cambodian problem held without its voice would be a violation of the country's sovereignty.

Hanoi's radio and news agency also issued a statement by the new Phnom Penh administration's foreign ministry saying the Security Council's debate on charges of Vietnamese aggression in Cambodia would damage the U.N. body's prestige.

At the U.N. a nonaligned resolution calling for the withdrawal of "all foreign forces" from Cambodia was submitted to the Security Council Monday in its debate on a Cambodian complaint of Vietnamese aggression.

The resolution, which did not name any country as hav-

ing "foreign forces" in Cambodia, was expected to get a larger vote than a pending Chinese resolution that "strongly condemns" Vietnam for aggression against Cambodia and calls for its withdrawal.

One key council delegate predicted that the council would vote on the new resolution before the day was out. He said he understood that China had accepted it as the "bare minimum" needed to fix the situation.

He predicted that the vote would be 13-2 with the Soviet Union vetoing it and Czechoslovakia also voting in the negative.

But a nonaligned ambassador said that when consulted by the sponsors, the Soviet Union had declined to say how it would vote, and some diplomats said they would not rule out Soviet and Czechoslovak abstentions.

Also in New York Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the 56-year-old ousted ruler of Cambodia, was reported in satisfactory condition Monday at a Manhattan hospital suffering "extreme stress and exhaustion."

Iraq to supply Syria with oil, minister says

BAGHDAD, Jan. 15 (UPI)—Planning Minister Adnan Hussein, a member of the Revolutionary Council, was quoted as saying Iraq would start pumping oil to Syria before the end of this month.

The Iraq News Agency quoted him as saying in an interview with "Al-Thawra" newspaper, mouthpiece of the ruling Baath Party, that no agreement had been reached to supply Syria with increasing quantities of oil for internal consumption.

The minister was also quoted as saying that an agreement had been reached on transport revenues in Syria which will

provide profits for both countries.

The agency did not give details about quantities of oil, or transport revenues.

Sunday, Arab diplomatic sources reported Syria and Iraq are planning to merge into a single state under one leader. Together the two countries have 415,000 troops.

One source said, "Unity would be total, with one people under one flag directed from one capital."

Iraq and Syria last October ended 10 years of hostility by signing a charter for political cooperation.

The unification agreement is expected to be signed Jan. 25.

3 U.S. skiers die in avalanche

INNSBRUCK, Jan. 15 (UPI)—Three American students were killed by an avalanche Monday in a ski instruction class on a slope used by hundred of skiers. Police identified the three victims as Catherine Resnic, 23, of Stockbridge, Mass., William Scott Fenlon, 20, of Thomasville, and Long Dennis, 21, of Louisville, Ky. Eyewitnesses said the avalanche roared down on a slope near the mountain station of a cable car leading to the Seegrube, one of the most popular skiing areas above Innsbruck.

U.K. trade surplus lightens gloom

LONDON, Jan. 15 (UPI)—Britain Monday announced one piece of good news amid its widespread strikes and struggles over pay policy—a visible balance of payment surplus for last month of 126 million sterling (\$250 million). This compares with a deficit in November of 186 million sterling (\$370 million). It meant that after such items as shipping and tourism were added to the visible trade surplus, Britain had an overall current account surplus in December of 246 million sterling (\$489 million).

U.K. heart recipient said well

PAPWORTH St. Agnes, England, Jan. 15 (AP)—A 44-year-old heating engineer has become Britain's first heart transplant recipient in six years, doctors here revealed Monday. The patient, Charles McHugh, of Croydon, south of London, was reported in good condition after receiving the heart of an unidentified adult male in a seven-hour operation at Papworth Hospital on Sunday. McHugh's sister, Mrs. Rose Towsé, a nurse said, "The doctors say he is stable and his new heart is beating well."

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Late News

Smith soothes white anxieties

CENTENARY, Rhodesia, Jan. 15 (UPI)—Prime Minister Ian Smith Monday visited the community where the war started six years ago and told pistol-packing farmers that he has contingency plans to thwart any black attempt to violate constitutional guarantees to whites after a transfer to black rule. (see story page four)

But Smith refused to disclose his alleged plans, saying security matters should not be discussed in public.

The prime minister's address was part of his campaign to get the white minority to vote for the Jan. 30 referendum on the draft majority rule constitution he worked out with three black leaders.

The Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance has refused the internal majority rule agreement reached by Smith and the three black politicians. The war has escalated dramatically since it was signed in March.

Smith, delivering the same speech he has used on other such occasions, said there

Mosque project in Vienna gets additional \$2M

JEDDAH, Jan. 15—Crown Prince Fahd has approved the allocation of \$500,000 to be added to the last installment for the construction of a mosque and an Islamic center in Vienna, (Austria) according to "Al-Medina." Saudi Arabia had earmarked over \$3 million for the project.

would not be majority rule if he had his way but even Rhodesia's friends abroad, including South Africa—the only country that openly violates U.N. trade sanctions against Rhodesia—insists on it.

He said the internal accord provides the best chance of forcing the governments of the United States and Britain to recognize Rhodesia and lift trade sanctions.

"At last there's light at the end of the tunnel, lighter than it's been for a long time," he said.

He said foreign recognition is the principle objective be-

cause, he contended, it would provide political pressure on the guerrillas to stop the violence. But "I cannot guarantee we are going to get this thing called recognition," he said.

Smith stressed the draft constitution provides for whites to exert control over the major institutions including the leadership of the post-war trans-

formation army.

"I believe we have tied this one up very effectively," he said. Smith said if the first majority rule government has 20 men, five of the ministers will be whites.

Lackluster England fails to break Northern NSW

NEWCASTLE, Australia, Jan. 15 (AP)—Northern New South Wales took the upper hand in its match against England when it held a 205 run lead with five second innings wickets in hand at Newcastle Sports Ground Monday.

A batting collapse and a fractured cheekbone suffered by wicket keeper Roger Tordoff was the bad news for England.

Starting the day at 47 chasing the Northern NSW first innings score of 223, England was dismissed for 163.

A 50-run 10th wicket partnership by John Lever and John Embury in 41 minutes gave the touring side some hope of victory, but it lost the advantage when the Northern NSW batsmen again got on top of their bowling to be five for five when stumps were drawn.

Northern NSW lost two wickets with the addition of only

one run in the final five minutes of play when Chris Beatty, its top scorer in the first innings, was caught by substitute keeper Graham Gooch off Lever for 12.

Then night watchman John Hill failed to survive the final overhand, bowled for a duck by Edmonds on the last ball of the day.

Lever had gained the early breakthrough and dismissed opener Jim Hogg for four and John Gardner for eight with Northern NSW only 18.

Officials declined to give the reason for the border closure or say how long it would be in force, but it was assumed

Leonard Woodcock nominated as U.S. ambassador to Peking

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (AP)—President Carter announced Monday he is nominating Leonard Woodcock, former president of the United Auto-Workers Union, to be the first American ambassador to the People's Republic of China.

Woodcock has served as head of the United States Liaison Office in Peking since June 1977. He played an important role in negotiating the agreement that led to American diplomatic recognition of China, so the appointment was not unexpected.

Woodcock, 67, will be accompanying Chinese Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping when Teng visits the United States.

The White House said Sunday Teng will visit Atlanta, Houston and Seattle in addition to Washington, D.C., during his trip to the United States.

The vice premier will arrive in Washington Jan. 28. His formal state visit will run from Jan. 29-31. The White House released Teng's schedule during President Carter's visit to Atlanta in connection with the celebration of the 50th anniversary of Martin Luther



King Jr.'s birthday (see story page five).

Teng will visit Atlanta in Carter's home state of Georgia Feb. 1-2, Houston, Texas, Feb. 2-3 and Seattle, Feb. 4-5.

Teng is scheduled to leave China Feb. 5 to fly home to Atlanta.

The United States and China established full diplomatic relations after decades of enmity in Jan. 1 with Carter personally inviting Teng to

visit the United States

Japanese news dispatch from Peking quoted Teng as saying that, although Taiwan may retain its army and own prosperous economy, must give up its name if it rejoins China.

Teng told a visiting Japanese legislators' delegation in the Great Hall of the People that Peking will continue to urge leaders of the land nation to accept Chinese conditions for unification.

French virtually shut border

Tension grows in Basque region

HENDAYE, France, Jan. 15 (Agencies)—French border police in the Basque region of southwestern France began turning back nearly all Spaniards Monday, apparently because of tension arising from the attack on a Spanish Basque separatist leader in France.

The only Spaniards allowed to cross were holders of French work permits and mothers accompanying their children to schools in the French Basque country.

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England.

Earlier Monday in Bilbao, a Spanish paramilitary Civil Guard barracks was machine-gunned from a passing car, but no one was injured, police said.

Three petrol bombs were hurled at the building without causing serious damage.

Sunday night demonstrators in the northern Spanish Basque country spread to the town of Mondragon when Civil Guards fired rubber bullets and smoke bombs to break up hundreds of protesters.

In the provincial capital San Sebastian, police dispersed about 1,000 nuclear demonstrators who had barricaded streets with cars and building material. One youth was seriously injured, police said.

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Shah

a warning on the consequences of any large scale disturbances after the monarch's departure.

He told reporters: "Neither the armed forces nor the people would survive a confrontation after his majesty departs."

The anti-Shah movement, led by exiled religious leader Ayatollah Khomeini, is expected to step up its street demonstrations as an attempt to force the monarch to quit the country for good.

Khomeini, who is living in exile near Paris, has already announced the formation of an Islamic Revolutionary Council to pave the way for a new constitution and an Islamic Republic.

Asked about the chances of a military coup, feared by many as a possible reaction by the monarch's supporters, he said: "I don't think so."

Senior officers are known to be worried about the loyalty of the armed forces. Some have been reported by the opposition to have deserted and others have shown themselves likely to join anti-Shah protesters.

The Shah will be leaving immediately after Bakhtiar's government receives an expected confidence vote in the lower house of parliament, the Majlis, Tuesday.

The senate, the upper house, Monday held a special session two days ahead of schedule and rushed through an easy confidence vote in favor of the government.

In continuing unrest Monday, three policemen were killed in the northwestern city of Tabriz, the official radio said.

One of the dead men was a major, the radio said. Informants said he was shot outside his home.

The sources said the attacker left behind a note saying the major had been punished for "committing many crimes against the people."

A high-powered Iraqi delegation arrived in Damascus unannounced from Baghdad as Syria maintained official silence about the projected merger, disclosed by Arab diplomatic sources here Sunday.

The official Syrian News Agency (Sana) said the two foreign ministers reviewed intensive discussions which have taken place over the past month on political, military and economic union.